

2005 MAINE TEACHER OF THE YEAR CALENDAR

(Note: all dates are for 2004)

February 18	Nomination forms must be postmarked
March 11	Dinner for all Nominees, Augusta
March 12	State House Hall of Flags Ceremony: Governor Baldacci and Commissioner of Education honor nominees; nominees invited to display students' work
March 24	Letters mailed out to nominees announcing Regional Finalists
April – May	Site visits to Regional Finalists' schools; representatives from the T.O.Y. Committee observe the teacher in class, interview students, parents, and colleagues; MPBN TV camera and interviewer also present
May – July	Regional Finalists work on professional portfolios
July 21	Portfolio and oral presentations, Augusta; Regional Finalists present their professional portfolios and give an informal talk before a review panel; portfolios are scored by former Regional Finalists; four State Finalists are selected
July 22 & 23	Portfolios read and scored
July 30	State Finalists' interviews with former Teachers of the Year, Augusta
September	Announcement of the 2005 Maine Teacher of the Year
October 12 (tentative)	Maine Teacher of the Year Banquet